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Kazuhiko SUGIYAMA et al.	)	
	)	Confirmation No.: 6391
Serial No.: 10/561,514	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 3753
Filed: December 20, 2005	)	
	)	Examiner: Kevin Murphy
For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR	)	
SUPPLYING GAS WHILE DIVIDING	)	Date: August 8, 2011
TO CHAMBER FROM GAS	)	
SUPPLYING FACILITY EQIPPED	)	
WITH FLOW CONTROLLER	)	

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, this Information Disclosure Statement in connection with the above-identified application is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b):

- ☐ within three months of the filing date of this application (not a C.P.A.);
- ☐ within three months of the date of entry of the National Stage;
- ☒ before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits; or
- ☐ before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits of, after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under §1.114.

A copy of each non-U.S. document identified on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A is

attached, however, in accordance with Official Gazette Notice dated August 5, 2003, copies of the U.S. patents and patent application publications are not attached.

United States Patent Document 1 and Foreign Patent Document 1 relates to a pressure type flow rate control apparatus. United States Patent Document 2, Publication Document 1 and Foreign Patent Document 2 relates to a method of supplying divided gas to a chamber from a gas supply apparatus equipped with a flow-rate control system. They also correspond to JP 2002-161086, cited in Applicants' specification and previously submitted in an IDS. Their relevance is believed to be clear. Accordingly, no further comment with regard to the disclosures of these documents is believed to be required.

It is respectfully requested that the attached documents be considered and officially cited, and that the Examiner initial a copy of Form PTO/SB/08A and, and return it to the undersigned to indicate that the documents have been considered.

It is believed that the present Information Disclosure Statement complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-8, but should the filing of this paper necessitate a fee, the Director is hereby authorized to charge the necessary fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1281.

Respectfully submitted,

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